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In re the Application of

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For: METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR FORWARD ANNOTATING DOCUMENTS

**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

Director of the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office  
Washington, D. C. 20231

Sir:

Prior to initial examination, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

**IN THE SPECIFICATION:**

Page 1, lines 4-7, delete current paragraph and insert therefor:

Cross-reference is made to U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 09/AAA,AAA, entitled "Method And Apparatus For Generating A Summary From A Document Image" (Attorney Docket Nos. D/A0606 and 110915), filed herewith, which is hereby incorporated herein by reference.

**REMARKS**

Claims 1 -17 are pending. By this Preliminary Amendment, the specification is amended to correctly identify the Attorney Docket numbers associated with the incorporated application and to indicate the filing date of the incorporated application. Prompt and favorable examination on the merits is respectfully requested.

The attached Appendix includes marked-up copies of each rewritten paragraph (37  
C.F.R. §1.121(b)(1)(iii)).

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APPENDIX

Changes to Specification:

The following is a marked-up version of the amended paragraph:

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